FROM THE MANAGER



By Mark Sandoval, Marine Bureau Manager

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I hope all is good with you and yours. This is the time of year where I report on the current budget, so you can see where your slips fees go. In the budget adopted by City Council, on average, every dollar paid for slip fees goes to the following uses:

- 29.6 cents is used to pay debt
- 22.7 cents is used for maintenance
- 20.0 cents is used for marina management, operations and administrative oversight
- 12.2 cents is used for landside security (Marine Patrol)
- 8.3 cents is used for on-water security (Rescue Boats)
- 4.6 cents is used for utilities
- 2.6 cents is used to support other waterfront activities (beaches)

Revenues total \$17.6 million, and expenses total \$19.2 million, for a loss of \$1.6 million for the year. This is due to the fact that we are paying off the bonds for the original development of the Shoreline (Downtown) Marina, and are also paying new debt for the rebuild of the Shoreline and Rainbow Marinas. The final bond payment for the Downtown Marina is in 2008, so the marina operation will be in much better shape beginning in 2009. We are continuing to control costs, but as you can imagine, maintenance costs will continue to be high because we are constantly addressing the problems in the Alamitos Bay Marina, which is roughly 50-years of age.

The good news is that we are still on track to begin construction of the Alamitos Bay Marina this year. The conceptual plans are complete, and the bid package is in the review stages. In addition, regulatory permitting is underway. Within the next few months, we will begin presenting this plan to the public and to you, our customers. In addition, the rebuild of the Shoreline and Rainbow Marinas will be completed in roughly three months. We are planning a Grand Re-Opening, which will be May 19. Save that date and plan to celebrate this momentous occasion.

I will provide more information regarding the Downtown Marinas Re-Opening celebration and the ABM plan presentations as those dates draw closer.

As always, happy and healthy boating.

We are proud to be a certified Clean Marina, thanks for your efforts.

AUCTION

The Long Beach Marine Bureau will be holding an auction of impounded and abandoned vessels on March 31, 2007.

All items are offered "As Is – Where Is". All sales are final. Full payment is due the day of sale, no later than 1:00 pm. There will be no refunds or adjustments. Payment may be made with cash, check or credit card. Vessels in the water must be removed by Wednesday, April 11, 2007. All other items must be removed the day of the sale. If a vessel is not removed at that time, vessel will be impounded, and impound and storage fees of \$5.00 per foot per day will apply.

There is no warranty either specific or implied as to the condition of the items offered for sale and we reserve the right to reject any offer or withdraw any item from the sale.

No vessel sold at the auction will be allowed in the Long Beach Marinas for a period of six months.

For more information call Kimarie Vestre at 562/570-3236.

 									
TIDE CHART FOR MARCH 2007									
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	31 Sa	2:58	0.9	3:11	0.1	8:53	4.7	9:25	4.7

PHONE NUMBERS TO KEEP ON HAND

Long Beach Police Marine Patrol Emergency

911 or 9911 (Pock Phone)

Non Emergency | 15621 435-6711

Maintenance during working hours

(562) 570-1582

Alamitos Bay Office

(562) 570-3215

Shoreline Office

(562) 570-4950

Rainbow Harbor 1562) 570-8636

After office hours

CLASSES 07

AMERICAN BOATING COURSE

The USCG Auxiliary, Flotilla 53, will be offering a one day, 8 hour "American Boating Course (ABC)", a safe boating course on Saturday, March 17, 2007, starting at 8:30 a.m., at Boater's World, 5912 Edinger Ave., (at Springdale), Huntington Beach, CA.

This course will cover types of boats, required boat and personal equipment, safe boat handling, weather, tides, charts, anchors, navigation aids and rules, radio, launching and recovering, a review, quiz, and certificate of completion.

The cost is \$35, which includes textbook, tide tables, Calif." Boating Regulations, and other miscellaneous handouts.

For information and pre-registration, please call Paul Busher, (714)840-0232.

AMGEN TOUR OF CALIFORNIA

America's largest cycling event will finish in beautiful Long Beach on Sunday, February 25. Mark you calendar and plan on spending the day in and around the downtown area to watch over 120 of the world's top professional cyclists conclude a 650 mile tour through California with a 7 - 10 lap circuit race. In addition to the main event circuit race, which begins at 1:00 p.m., activities will include an extreme BMX demonstration, cycling vendors with product demo's, Elite I, II, Category III & Masters 30+ circuit races, Fastest Wrench Competition and much more. For a complete list Ωf activities visit www.visitlongbeach.com or call (800) 452-7829.

Access to and from the Shoreline Marina by car may be restricted at times. Parking will be available, with your marina pass, at the Convention Center. The Marine Bureau staff will be available to shuttle our customers between the gangways and footbridge by calling the office at 562-570-4950 or 8-4950 from the dock phones.

CLEAN BOATING TIPS

Plan A-head! Manage sewage wastes properly

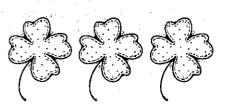
Never discharge sewage within 3 miles of shore. Use harbor pump-out stations and shore-side facilities. If you don't have an installed toilet, use a port-a-potty and empty it at harbor dump station or bathroom.

Stow it, do not throw it!

Keep your trash on board. Never throw cigarette butts, fishing line, or any other garbage into the ocean. Take advantage of shore-side facilities to recycle plastic, glass, metal, and paper.

Reduce gray-water discharges

Use a phosphate-free soap to minimize the impacts of greywater on the marine environment. Also minimize discharge by doing dishes and showers on shore whenever possible.



COAST GUARD

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY PRESS RELEASE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Flotilla 33 of The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary meets each fourth Tuesday during the months from February to November at 7:30PM in the historic Long Beach Police Station in Belmont Shore located at 5373 E. Second Street, Long Beach, CA 90803.

The public is invited. Come and join us to find how much you can benefit by an Auxiliary membership. We offer advanced training courses for members only in many specialty areas including weather, seamanship, advanced navigation, piloting, and more. Join with us in exploring the many areas of service involving environmental education, pollution spills and other sea partner programs.

Meeting dates for 2007:

Feb 27, 2007 Mar 27, 2007 Apr 24, 2007 May 22, 2007 Jun 26, 2007 Jul 24, 2007 Aug 28, 2007 Sep 25, 2007 Oct 23, 2007 Nov 27, 2007

For more information, please call Tony Ashlin (562)972-5900

MARINA WATCH TIP

Marina Watch Tip of the Month

Marine Your Long Beach Police Department, Marine Patrol Unit reminds you that they are more than happy to check on suspicious persons on the gangways, in the parking lots and around the marinas. If someone is hanging-around and looks or acts suspicious to you, call 911 or (562) 435-6711 and ask to have a Marine Patrol officer dispatched to check them out.